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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

**James H. Prestegard**

**Serial No. 09/880,648**

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**For: NMR Assisted Design of High Affinity Ligands  
for Structurally Uncharacterized Proteins**

Art Unit: 1631

Examiner: **Lori A. CLOW**

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**FIRST AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed in the above-identified application on October 26, 2004, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** are contained in the listing of specification changes which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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